STATE OF ALABAMA

Information Technology Policy

Policy 670-04_Rev A: Virus Protection

OBJECTIVE:

Protect the State of Alabama computing environment from viruses and other malicious logic.

SCOPE:

This policy applies to all users (State employees, contractors, vendors, and business partners) and administrators of State of Alabama information system resources.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Approved anti-virus (AV) software shall be utilized on all devices that access State information system resources and/or data. Agencies shall refer to applicable State Standards for approved AV software.

AV software shall be configured to perform complete daily scans of systems as well as real-time scans of files and attachments prior to download, opening, or execution.

All files introduced onto computers and all incoming files from external sources, including email attachments, shall be virus checked.

System Administrators shall update (automatically whenever possible) AV software with the most current virus definitions and apply program updates on all devices that provide AV services.

Systems shall be configured to prevent users from disabling AV software.

ENFORCEMENT:

Refer to Information Technology Policy 600-00: Information Security.

Signed by Jim Burns, Chief Information Officer

Policy History

Version	Release Date	Comments
Original	12/12/2006	
Rev A	03/22/2007	Moved AV program requirement to AV Standard and portable media requirement to Standard 680-01S3